



UNITED STATES ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

REGION 5
77 WEST JACKSON BOULEVARD
CHICAGO, IL 60604-3590

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REPLY TO THE ATTENTION OF:

June 16, 1999

Mr. Joe Durako, Division Manager
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EPA Region 5 Records Ctr.



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Dear Mr. Durako:

I would like to express my gratitude with Waste Management's assistance with an U.S. EPA dilemma.

As you are aware, on Friday, June 11th, 1999, Illinois EPA, Illinois State Police, and U.S. EPA requested to temporarily stage an abandoned flat bed trailer on your Chain-of-Rocks Landfill Facility property. This flat bed trailer had numerous drums and small containers containing waste paints, acids, corrosives, solvents, and other hazardous and non-hazardous materials. The trailer was abandoned in a motel parking lot at the corner of Route 3 and Chain-of-Rocks Road. Staging the trailer on your property, away from potential vandals and trespassers, thereby reducing the likelihood of an uncontrolled release. This allowed the US EPA to arrange for contractor support and proper disposal of the materials.

If during our segregation, waste characterization, and disposal of the material on the trailer results in a release to the environment, Waste Management will not be held responsible. Furthermore, the U.S. EPA will correct any damage to the staging and immediate surrounding area caused by our contractors during the time frame of this cleanup. It is anticipated that the entire project will take 4 to 7 business days to complete.

Thank you again for your assistance in this manner. If there are any questions, please contact me at (618) 997-0115.

Sincerely,

Kevin Turner
U.S. EPA - On Scene Coordinator

cc: Tom Powell - IEPA

Jay Ross - Waste Management (w/ Health & Safety Plan)